

REMARKS

By this amendment, Claims 1 and 9 are amended. Claims 1-15 remain pending in the application, with Claims 1 and 9 being the independent claims. Claims 1, 2, 9, 14 and 15 are again rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Aikoh (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0111341 A1). Claims 3-8 and 10-13 remain objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would otherwise be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite, in part, a method for reselling content, comprising the steps of: (a) receiving, by a content server, ~~sale~~ content information for particular content to be resold from a seller terminal in reply to a request by a seller who wishes to resell the content over a communication network, and ~~registering~~ searching a content corresponding to the ~~sale content~~ content information in a database and registering the searched content as secondhand content; and (b) providing, by the content server, corresponding secondhand content to a buyer terminal in reply to a request by a buyer who wishes to buy the secondhand content, and transmitting sale information for the secondhand content to the seller terminal. Claim 9 has been amended in a similar manner.

The present invention relates to a content reselling method for enabling a user to recover expenses for a residual right to use paid content left over at the time when the paid content are deleted or discarded, so the user does not lose the fee paid for the residual right out of an amount of money paid when he or she bought the corresponding content. In addition, a user of a mobile apparatus can make profits through the use of such mobile apparatus by reselling the content that he or she bought for use on the mobile apparatus, and a content provider can also make additional profits by imposing a commission on such resale. Even for sold content, a user who has previously bought and stored the corresponding content can resell its residual rights of such content, a person who wants the content may purchase the corresponding content.

Aikoh describes an electronic data transaction method and electronic data transaction system. In paragraph 28, Aikoh teaches transmitting, to a server, electronic data as well as sale

information of the electronic data to be resold. Aikoh fails to disclose providing a content stored in a database of a contents server to a buyer terminal.

In addition, in Aikoh, since a content stored in a seller terminal is delivered to a distribution server, the content from the seller terminal is directly delivered to the buyer terminal.

In contrast to Aikoh, the secondhand content of the present invention indicates the content stored in the contents server. Therefore, Aikoh fails to teach a reselling content method as recited in the claims.

Accordingly, amended Claims 1 and 9 are allowable over Aikoh.

While not conceding the patentability of the dependent claims, *per se*, Claims 2-8 and 10-15 are also allowable for at least the above reasons.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-15 are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

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